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**ERRATA:**

**The following errata are  
inserted because one or more pages  
in this session day have errors  
noticed and corrected here.**

## ERRATA

- Page 73—An act to empower the County Commissioners of Hancock County to construct a highway and raise money for the same (S. P. 35, L. D. 11)—Should be (S. P. 35, L. D. 9)
- Page 75—Ordered, that there be printed one thousand additional copies each of L. D. No. 28, H. P. No. 39, and L. D. No. 10, H. P. No. 37—should be L. D. 10, S. P. No. 37.
- Page 105—Resolve in favor of the town of Prescott. (H. P. No. 282)—Should be town of Trescott.
- Page 106—Second resolve in favor of the town of Dixmont (H. P. 401)
- Page 114—Resolve to reimburse the town of Solon for support of Mrs. Ernest Cousins having no known settlement in the state.—Should be Salem.
- Page 120—Resolve to reimburse Hamlin Plantation for support and burial expenses of Ephrem Picard, a State Pauper (H. P. No. 895)—Should be (H. P. No. 805)
- Page 128—Resolve in favor of the town of Atkinson (H. P. No. 876)—Should be (H. P. No. 976)
- Page 129—Second resolve in favor of the town of Cornish to be deleted.
- Page 152—Resolve in favor of E. G. Hodgkins of Carmel, H. P. 364, L. D. 197—should be H. P. 364, L. D. 203.
- Page 152—An act relating to health certificates for teachers and janitors S. P. 207, L. D. 295—Should be S. P. 207, L. D. 395.
- Page 153—An act relating to inland fish and game wardens; powers, duties and service of processes, S. P. 193, L. D. 597—Should be S. P. 193, L. D. 397.
- Page 163—Bill "An Act relating to Stamping of Registered Boilers" (H. P. No. 1132)—Should be (H. P. No. 1131)
- Page 163—Bill "An Act relating to Towns and Town Officers" (H. P. No. 1136)—Should be (H. P. No. 1135)
- Page 184—"An act relating to motor vehicles carrying passengers for hire over regular routes" (S. P. 92, L. D. 105)—Should be (S. P. 92, L. D. 104)
- Page 193—An act relating to motor vehicle lights S. P. 217, L. D. 598—Should be S. P. 217, L. D. 398.
- Page 202—(Presented by Mr. Stevens of Pownal)—Should be Mr. Stover.
- Page 246—An act relating to Board of Censors of Maine Pictures—should read Moving Pictures.
- Page 259—Resolve opening Jaquity Pond in Brownville, to ice fishing—Should be Jaquith Pond.
- Page 260—Ordered, that there be printed 500 more copies of H. P. 1082, L. D. 571—Should be H. P. 1083, L. D. 571.
- Page 267—Resolve in favor of John E. Parker of Windsor, for State pension (H. P. 90, L. D. 672)—Should be (H. P. 99, L. D. 672)
- Page 273—Resolve opening Jacquith Pond, in Brownville, to ice fishing—Should be Jaquith Pond.
- Page 315—(H. P. No. 552) (L. D. No. 231) Resolve relating to rabbit hunting in Vinalhaven—Should be (H. P. No. 552) (L. D. No. 221)
- Page 321—An Act relating to partition of real estate (S. P. 327, L. D. 833)—Should be (S. P. 327, L. D. 533)
- Page 341—An Act permitting Dennis Plourde to Dump Sawdust in Wallagrass Stream—Should be Dennis Fluorde.
- Page 343—(H. P. No. 39) (L. D. No. 776)—Should be (H. P. No. 739 (L. D. No. 776)
- Page 343—(H. P. No. 1476) (L. D. No. 778)—Should be (H. P. No. 1486) (L. D. No. 778)
- Page 358—An act to grant a new charter to the city of Rockland, S. P. 486, L. D. 788—Should be S. P. 486, L. D. 798.
- Page 383—An act to amend the banking laws by amending Sec. 91, of Chap. 57 of the Revised Statutes—Should be marked S. P. 548, L. D. 805.
- Page 417—An Act to provide for School Expenses in Towns having a Valuation of Less than \$200,000.00—Should be marked (H. P. 588, L. D. 235)
- Page 437—"An Act to amend Sections 48 to 54 of Chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes" (S. P. 353)—Should read Sections 48 to 51.
- Page 440—Resolve in favor of Henry McCroty of Farmingdale (H. P. 1502, L. D. 810)—Should be Henry McGroty.
- Page 442—Resolve regulating ice fishing in Tacoma Lakes (H. P. 1465, L. D. 736)—Should be (H. P. 1465, L. D. 756)

**HOUSE**

Thursday, February 9, 1933.

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Lowell of Hallowell.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

The SPEAKER: The Chair has learned this morning that the apples that were placed on the desks yesterday were the gift of the genial gentleman from Hope, Mr. Hobbs

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: Bill an act to create a lien on potatoes for storage charges, S. P. 285, L. D. 462.

Comes from the Senate referred to the committee on Judiciary.

In the House referred to the committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

From the Senate: Bill an act relating to registration number plates, S. P. 335.

Comes from the Senate referred to the committee on Legal Affairs.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Ashby of Fort Fairfield tabled, pending reference in concurrence, and 500 copies ordered printed.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on Salaries and Fees on bill an act to reduce the pay of State employees, S. P. 27, reporting that legislation thereon is inexpedient as subject matter is covered by another bill.

Comes from the Senate report read and accepted.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Rounds of Portland, tabled pending acceptance of the report in concurrence.

**Senate Bills in First Reading**

S. P. 271, L. D. 394: An act to extend charter of Hinckley Development Co.

S. P. 49, L. D. 393: An act to amend the charter of Somerset Academy.

From the Senate: Resolve in favor of Frederick A. Furbish of Mt. Vernon, H. P. 747, L. D. 413, which was referred to the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in the House on February 1st,

Comes from the Senate referred to the committee on Claims in non-concurrence.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Rounds of Portland, tabled pending further consideration.

From the Senate: Resolve in favor of Bernard Andrews of Canton, H. P. 746, L. D. 412, which was referred to the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in the House on February 1st.

Comes from the Senate referred to the committee on Claims in non-concurrence.

In the House, that body voted to recede and concur with the Senate in the reference of this resolve to the committee on Claims.

From the Senate: Bill an act to create a lien on potatoes for storage charges, S. P. 285, L. D. 462.

On motion by Mr. Smith of Marsardis the House voted to reconsider its action earlier in the day whereby this bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary in concurrence; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was tabled pending reference in concurrence.

The following petitions and remonstrances were received and upon recommendation of the committee on reference of bills were referred to the following committees:

**Taxation**

Petition of E. W. Hackett and 23 others of Piscataquis County in favor of a special tax on the so-called "Chain Stores." (H. P. No. 1225) (Presented by Mr. Hescocock of Monson)

**Temperance**

Petition of Lawrence Lait and 127 others of Old Town and Bangor in favor of submitting to the People of Maine a Referendum on the repeal or retention of the 26th amendment to the Constitution (H. P. No. 1213) (Presented by Mr. Quine of Bangor)

Petition of C. Tyler Hodgdon and 37 others of East Boothbay and vicinity in favor of same (H. P. No. 1214) (Presented by Mr. Lewis of Boothbay by request).

Petition of John E. Fuller and 127 others of Boothbay Harbor in favor of same (H. P. No. 1215) (Presented by same gentleman).

Petition of Ernest Davis and 120 others of Solon in favor of same (H.

P. No. 1216) (Presented by Mr. Viles of Madison).

Petition of F. Otis Gould and 103 others of Madison in favor of same (H. P. No. 1217) (Presented by same gentleman).

Petition of Lester Soucy and 128 others of Madison in favor of same (H. P. No. 1218) (Presented by same gentleman).

Petition of Loyall F. Sewall and 43 others of Bath in favor of same (H. P. No. 1219) (Presented by Mr. Oliver of Bath).

Remonstrance of Asa A. Richardson and 37 others of Kennebunk against same (H. P. No. 1220) (Presented by Mr. Tompkins of Bridgewater).

Remonstrance of C. E. Cunningham and 26 others against same (H. P. No. 1221) (Presented by same gentleman).

Remonstrance of Isabella M. Foss and 8 others of Dexter against same (H. P. No. 1222) (Presented by same gentleman).

Remonstrance of Mrs. Grace E. Jackson and 39 others of Monson against same (H. P. No. 1223) (Presented by Mr. Hescok of Monson).

Remonstrance of Nellie B. Jordan and 108 others against same (H. P. No. 1224) (Presented by Mr. Deering of Hollis).

#### Orders

Mr. Mack of Veazie presented the following order and moved its passage:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game be requested to return to the House, H. P. 701, L. D. 366, an act relating to the tributaries of Springy Pond, Hatcase Pond, Mountainy Pond and Burnt Pond in the counties of Hancock and Penobscot. (H. P. 1227).

The order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Tompkins of Bridgewater, it was

Ordered, that there be printed 500 copies of S. P. 283, bill an act providing for sentences and the imposition thereof.

Mr. Fernald of Winterport presented the following order and moved its passage:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the committee on Claims be requested to return to the House H. P. 794, resolve in favor of Lawrence J. McCormack. (H. P. 1228).

The order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Tompkins of Houlton, it was

Ordered, that the use of the House of Representatives' hall for the evening of February 21st be granted to the Maine Council of Women Favoring Prohibition for the purpose of presenting Mr. Ben Spence of Toronto, who will deliver an address on the working of the Canadian Liquor Law.

#### Reports of Committees

Mr. White from the Committee on Claims reported "Ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of Curtiss-Wright Flying Service (H. P. No. 142) together with Petition in favor of same (H. P. No. 143).

Mr. Rounds from same Committee reported same on Resolve in favor of the town of Pittsfield (H. P. No. 144).

Mr. Devereux from same Committee reported same on Resolve in favor of Paul Hamilton of Stockton Springs for care of a State Pauper (H. P. No. 362).

Mr. Hill from the Committee on Judiciary reported same on Bill "An Act providing for Waiver of Jury Trial by persons accused of Crime" (H. P. No. 33) (L. D. No. 94).

Mr. Eldridge from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act for a Lien for Hospitals and Doctors" (H. P. No. 71) (L. D. No. 36).

Mr. Farris from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Liens on Lands and Artesian Wells or Drilled Wells" (H. P. No. 48) (L. D. No. 45).

Reports read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Devereux from the Committee on Claims on Resolve in favor of George L. Page of Orland to reimburse him for loss of and damage to property in the construction of a State Road in the town of Orland (H. P. No. 86) reported same in a new draft (H. P. No. 1226) under same title and that it "Ought to pass."

Report read and accepted and the new draft ordered printed under the Joint Rules.

#### First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves

(H. P. No. 1208) (L. D. No. 552) "An act to incorporate the Wiscasset, Waterville and Farmington Railway Company."

(H. P. No. 1209) (L. D. No. 549) Resolve providing for a State pen-

sion for Mary L. Haskell of Milford.

(H. P. No. 1210) (L. D. No. 550)  
Resolve providing for a State pension for Emma E. Weeks of Sidney.

(H. P. No. 1211) (L. D. No. 551)  
Resolve providing for a State pension for Charles A. Frohock of Lincolnville.

#### Passed to be Engrossed

An act relating to costs recoverable in the Law Court (S. P. No. 60) (L. D. No. 57).

An act relating to the taking of lobsters in certain waters in Hancock County, adjacent to the town of Brooklin (H. P. No. 163) (L. D. No. 91).

Resolve for Screening Pierce Pond in the county of Hancock (H. P. No. 47) (L. D. No. 433).

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Scates of Westbrook, the rules were suspended and unanimous consent given that gentleman to present the remonstrance of Rev. Mr. Wilson of Westbrook and others against the repeal of the prohibitory amendment H. P. 1229; and on further motion by the same gentleman the remonstrance was referred to the committee on Temperance.

On motion by Mr. Oliver of Bath that gentleman was given unanimous consent to introduce, out of order, the following order, under suspension of the rules:

Ordered, that a message be sent to the Senate, proposing a convention of the two branches of the Legislature to be held in the hall of the House of Representatives, Thursday, February 16, at two o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of holding a public hearing on the report of the committee on State Budget presented to the Eighty-Sixth Legislature.

The order received passage, and the message was conveyed to the Senate by the Clerk of the House.

Subsequently the Clerk reported that he had conveyed the message with which he was charged.

On motion by Mr. Ashby of Fort Fairfield, the rules were suspended and that gentleman was given unanimous consent to introduce, out of order, a remonstrance against repeal of the prohibitory amendment H. P. 1230; and on further motion by the same gentleman the remonstrance was referred to the committee on Temperance.

The SPEAKER: Under orders of the day the Chair will lay before the House in the order that they appear upon the calendar the first eleven matters of unfinished business. Under the order passed earlier in the session all matters tabled on Friday, or prior thereto, of the week preceding, come off the table on Wednesday automatically in the order in which they appear on the calendar. We adjourned yesterday before we had time to take them off and so they are here today under Unfinished Business and come off in the order in which they appear on today's calendar.

The Chair lays before the House as the first matter of unfinished business bill an act authorizing the city of Lewiston to enlarge its municipal electric plant, and to sell light, heat and power to its inhabitants and creating the Lewiston Electric Authority, H. P. 68, L. D. 46, tabled on January 18 by the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. George Hamel, pending reference to a committee; and the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Hamel.

On motion by Mr. Hamel, the bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The Chair lays before the House as the second matter of unfinished business bill an act to grant a new charter to the city of Bangor, H. P. 860, L. D. 302, tabled on February 1st by the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Piper, pending reference to a committee; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. PIPER: Mr. Speaker, I move that the bill be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Miss MARTIN of Bangor: Mr. Speaker, I hope that the motion of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Piper, will not prevail. He is asking to have this bill sent to the Judiciary committee because, as he told me, he wanted an impartial viewpoint passed upon that subject, and he felt that I did not have sufficient influence with the rest of the committee so that an impartial hearing would be possible. Under our system here in the House we do not regard our committees as juries. We regard them as sources of information, otherwise we would not be sending our lobster bills to the Sea and Shore Fisheries. To follow that system to a conclusion, we may as

well send all our agricultural bills to the Sea and Shore Fisheries or the Pownal State School for instance.

This is a matter of vital interest to Bangor. On this Legal Affairs committee, two of us are from Bangor. Not only has this committee considered charters before but it has considered this one before. Since it is a matter concerning Bangor, I feel that I know conditions in Bangor as well as anyone in the House, I trust this motion of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Piper, to refer this bill to the Judiciary committee will not prevail.

Miss LAUGHLIN of Portland: Mr. Speaker, in view of the very large number of bills going to the Judiciary committee, and in view of the fact that all charter bills so far have gone to the Legal Affairs committee, which now ought to be expert on charter matters, I hope that this bill will not be sent to the committee on Judiciary and that the motion of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Piper, will not prevail.

Mr. PIPER: Mr. Speaker, I had hoped that I would not have to refer to any personal conversations here, and unless I thought I had sufficient cause I would not make a motion of this kind. But the proponents of this charter desire to be given a fair hearing in this Legislature.

So far as the conversation which has been carried on between me and the lady member from Bangor (Miss Martin) is concerned, she informed me first that she was elected by the people who opposed this charter and that she was going to do everything she could to defeat it in this Legislature. The proponents of this charter have no declared enemies on the Judiciary committee. They do not want this matter stranded in the committee if it is possible to prevent it. The proponents of this measure are just wishing for fair play, that is all. I hope that you will give the citizens of Bangor—a great many fine reputable citizens who desire a chance to be heard—a chance to be heard before unprejudiced ears. I am simply asking that this bill be referred to a committee that will give it a fair hearing, and a fair report, that is all.

Mr. QUINE of Bangor: Mr. Speaker, as a citizen of Bangor, a

Representative and member of the Legal Affairs committee, I respectfully ask that this bill be referred to the Judiciary committee. This is an important matter to the people of Bangor and the only thing they want is a fair and impartial hearing which we feel we cannot get before the Legal Affairs committee. I respectfully ask you members of this Legislature to give the people of Bangor a fair hearing on this bill. It is a matter of importance to the people of Bangor.

Mr. O'CONNOR of Bangor: Mr. Speaker, I believe, with my colleague from Bangor, Mr. Piper, that this bill should go to the Judiciary committee.

Mr. SARGENT of Brewer: Mr. Speaker, I am a member of the Legal Affairs committee and I resent the remark that this charter, if it went to the Legal Affairs committee, would not be given an impartial hearing. For myself I am open minded in the matter, and I think our committee will give it just as impartial a hearing as would the committee on Judiciary. I hope the motion of the gentleman from Bangor (Mr. Piper) will not prevail.

Mr. GOUDY of So. Portland: Mr. Speaker, I do not like to enter into other people's debates but I feel called upon at this time to say this to the members of the House. I served last year with the member from Bangor, Miss Martin, and with Mr. Sargent on the Legal Affairs committee. If anybody in this House thinks that this bill, or any other bill, would not receive fair treatment at their hands, I feel that they are mistaken. The member from Bangor, Miss Martin, as a member of the Legal Affairs committee, was always fair, square, upright and honest on any bill or on any question that came before the Legal Affairs committee; and I am here at this time testifying to her integrity and honesty of purpose in all matters that came before our committee and I believe this applies to all matters that will ever come before any committee that she is on. (Applause)

The SPEAKER: The question is on the motion of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Piper, on bill an act to grant a new charter to the city of Bangor; on which bill the committee on reference of bills suggested that it be referred to the committee on Legal Affairs but



which the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Piper, now moves to refer to the Judiciary committee. All those in favor of the motion to refer this bill to the Judiciary committee will say aye, contrary minded, no.

A viva voce vote being doubted, A division of the House was had.

Sixty-six voting in the affirmative and 59 in the negative, the motion of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Piper, that the bill be referred to the committee on Judiciary prevailed.

The Chair lays before the House the third matter of unfinished business, bill an act relative to the auxiliary State forest, H. P. 932, L. D. 284, tabled on February 1 by the gentleman from Baldwin, Mr. Sanborn, pending reference to a committee; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Sanborn, the bill was referred to the committee on Taxation.

The Chair lays before the House the fourth matter of unfinished business, bill an act relating to motor vehicle lights, S. P. 217, L. D. 598, which came from the Senate referred to the committee on Judiciary and which was tabled on February 2nd by the gentleman from Fort Fairfield, Mr. Ashby, pending reference in concurrence; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Ashby the bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

The Chair lays before the House the fifth matter of unfinished business bill an act to authorize the Treasurer of State to make payment of the share of the State in the reconstruction of Cascade Bridge in the town of Old Orchard, S. P. 220, L. D. 399, which came from the Senate referred to the committee on Judiciary, and which was tabled on February 2nd by the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Farris, pending reference in concurrence; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Farris, the bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

The Chair lays before the House the sixth matter of unfinished business, bill an act amending the

Workmens Compensation Act, S. P. 228, L. D. 400, tabled on February 2nd by the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Farris, pending reference in concurrence; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Farris the bill was referred to the committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

The Chair lays before the House the seventh matter of unfinished business, bill an act providing for the regulation of the use of the highways by motor vehicles transporting property for hire in the State of Maine, and for the supervision and control of such motor vehicles, S. P. 168, L. D. 160. This bill came from the Senate referred to the committee on Public Utilities, and in the House was tabled February 2 by the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Tompkins, pending reference in concurrence; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Tompkins, the bill was referred to a Joint Committee composed of the committees on Public Utilities and Ways and Bridges in non-concurrence.

The Chair lays before the House the eighth matter of unfinished business, bill an act relating to manufacture of intoxicating liquor, S. P. 116, L. D. 163, which came from the Senate referred to the committee on Temperance. In the House the bill was tabled on February 2 by the gentleman from Calais, Mr. Tupper, pending reference in concurrence.

Mr. WRIGHT of Bath: Mr. Speaker, I understand that the gentleman from Calais, Mr. Tupper, has been called home on account of the very serious illness of his wife. Therefore, if it is the pleasure of the House I would make the motion that this matter be retabled until the gentleman's return.

The motion prevailed and the bill was retabled, pending reference in concurrence.

The Chair lays before the House the ninth matter of unfinished business, bill an act relative to closed season on bear, H. P. 691, L. D. 375, tabled by the gentleman from Woodstock, Mr. Russ, on February 2, pending reference; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Russ the bill was referred to a Joint Committee composed of the two committees of

Inland Fisheries and Game and Agriculture.

The Chair lays before the House the tenth matter of unfinished business, bill an act relating to bounty on bears, H. P. 762, L. D. 376, tabled by the gentleman from Woodstock, Mr. Russ, February 2, pending reference; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Russ the bill was referred to a Joint Committee composed of the two committees of Inland Fisheries and Game and Agriculture.

The Chair lays before the House the eleventh matter of unfinished business, resolve in favor of the city of Eastport, H. P. 796, tabled on February 2 by the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Farris, pending reference; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Farris, the resolve was retabled pending reference.

The SPEAKER: Are there any matters under tabled and unassigned that can be taken care of now? The Chair notices that there are thirty-three of them on the calendar and we should try and keep this calendar as clean as possible.

On motion by Mr. Fernald of Winterport, it was voted to take from the table the sixth unassigned matter bill an act relating to judges of probate, H. P. 1039, tabled by that gentleman February 7, pending reference.

Mr. FERNALD: Mr. Speaker, I now yield to my colleague from Belfast, Mr. Thompson.

On motion by Mr. Thompson of Belfast, unanimous consent was given that gentleman to withdraw this bill, and the bill was withdrawn.

On motion by Mr. Hussey of Augusta, it was voted to take from the table the first unassigned matter, bill an act relative to the Standish Game Preserve in the town of Standish, S. P. No. 260, which was tabled February 7th by that gentleman, pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Hussey of Augusta, it was voted to take from the table the second unassigned matter, resolve in favor of Nancy Rankin, S. P. No. 265, which was tabled on February 7 by that gentleman, pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the resolve was referred to the committee on Pensions in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Hussey of Augusta it was voted to take from the table the third unassigned matter, resolve for teacher's pension for Mrs. Elsie T. McKenney, S. P. No. 266, tabled by that gentleman February 7, pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same gentleman the resolve was referred to the committee on Pensions in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Cook of Pittsfield it was voted to take from the table the fourth unassigned matter, bill an act relating to State aid to academies, H. P. 1076, tabled by that gentleman February 7, pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman unanimous consent was given him to withdraw this resolve, and the resolve was withdrawn.

On motion by Mr. Russ of Woodstock, it was voted to take from the table the fifth unassigned matter, bill an act relating to bounty on bears, H. P. 1027, L. D. 461, tabled by that gentleman February 7 pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to a Joint committee composed of the two committees of Inland Fisheries and Game and Agriculture.

Mr. FARRIS of Augusta: Mr. Speaker, I move that the House reconsider its action whereby it passed an order this morning inviting the Senate to a Joint Convention next Thursday afternoon. I will say in this connection that the Budget Committee is now having hearings and is not ready for a public hearing.

The SPEAKER: As the Chair understands it, the order had a passage, and its terms were complied with. Therefore, the matter is finished so far as the House is concerned. The Clerk did what the order requested him to do, that is,

conveyed a message to the Senate, and that is all the order provided for. As the Chair understands it, the House did not even vote to have a Joint Convention, but merely voted to convey a message to the Senate proposing a Joint Convention.

Mr. FARRIS: Mr. Speaker, then the effect of the order is just an invitation. Is that it?

The SPEAKER: That is the way the Chair understands it.

Mr. FARRIS: And is dependent on the Senate accepting the invitation?

The SPEAKER: That is also correct. It is a matter of common knowledge that proposals for Joint Conventions, so far as the Clerk knows, and as he has informed me, invariably come from the Senate.

Are there any other matters under Orders of the Day which can be cleaned from the calendar?

On motion by Mr. Tompkins of Houlton, it was voted to take from the table the seventh unassigned matter, bill an act relative to the proof and determination of foreign law, H. P. 1040, L. D. 460, tabled by that gentleman February 7, pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Tompkins of Houlton, it was voted to take from the table the eighth unassigned matter, bill an act relating to attachments of real estate, H. P. 1041, L. D. 459, tabled by that gentleman February 7 pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Sanborn of Baldwin, it was voted to take from the table the 32nd unassigned matter, resolve to appropriate money for the purpose of preventing damage to domestic animals by bears, S. P. 261, tabled by that gentleman February 8th, pending reference in concurrence.

Mr. SANBORN of Baldwin: Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Weld, Mr. Sanborn.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that an error was made yesterday and this matter was supposed to have been tabled by the gentleman from Weld, Mr. Sanborn.

On motion by Mr. Sanborn of Weld this resolve was referred to a joint committee composed of the members of the two committees on Inland Fisheries and Game and Agriculture.

On motion by Mr. Carleton of Portland, it was voted to take from the table the tenth unassigned matter, Joint Order relative to salaries, University of Maine, S. P. 295, tabled by that gentleman February 3th, pending passage in concurrence; and on further motion by the same gentleman the order was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Goudy of So. Portland, it was voted to take from the table the 33rd unassigned matter, bill an act relating to the purchase and sale of lobsters, H. P. 1155, tabled by that gentleman, February 8th, pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.

On motion by Mr. Rounds of Portland, it was voted to take from the table the 27th unassigned matter, bill an act relating to absentee voters, H. P. 1078, L. D. 435, tabled by that gentleman February 8th, pending first reading.

Mr. ROUNDS: Mr. Speaker, I yield to the member from Portland, Miss Laughlin.

Miss LAUGHLIN: Mr. Speaker, in view of the fact that there are three bills referring to the same section which are being considered, and if any one of them should be reported favorably and meet with the favor of the Legislature, it seems to me that they should all be considered before any are passed upon. I, therefore, move that this bill be re-tabled pending first reading.

The motion prevailed.

On motion by Mr. Belanger of Winslow

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.